

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL REGIONAL AND COUNTY FSD/CD OFFICES

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SUBJECT: INCREASE IN INCOME GUIDELINES FOR CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE

DISCUSSION:

Effective July 1, 2005, the income guidelines used in determining family eligibility for child care assistance will increase. A new level of income and corresponding sliding fees have been added to the existing Child Care Eligibility Limits and Sliding Fee Chart. The new income eligibility chart is [attached](#).

For Child Care actions processed in June, FAMIS will use the current income guidelines when determining eligibility for the June 2005 benefit month and the new income guidelines for July 2005 benefits or later.

For Child Care adverse actions due to excess income effective for July 2005, staff must complete a July budget to determine if the EU remains eligible based on the new income guidelines.

- **Void the current excess income adverse action when the EU remains eligible as of July 2005.**
- **No action is necessary when the EU continues to be ineligible based on the new income guidelines. The adverse action continues to be effective with July 2005.**

The Child Care income guidelines are available as a .pdf document at http://www.dss.mo.gov/pr_cs.htm

NECESSARY ACTION:

- Review with all appropriate staff.
- Take appropriate action for pending adverse actions due to excessive income.
- Make the new income guidelines available and/or refer inquiries about the guidelines to the website.

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